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SUBJECT: SALE OF F-5S TO SUDAN

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1. YOU WILL NOTE FROM MY IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING TELEGRAM THAT SUDANGOV WILL MOST LIKELY SHORTLY BE ASKING THAT GENERAL JAGGERS RETURN TO SUDAN FOR DISCUSSION OF THE SURVEY TEAM REPORT AND PREPARATION OF THE DOCUMENT WHICH HOPEFULLY WILL INSPIRE THE SAUDIS TO FINANCE THE AIR DEFENSE PACKAGE.

2. I RECEIVED A LETTER FROM GENERAL JAGGERS DATED DECEMBER 7, 1977 WHICH APPEARS TO INDICATE THAT HIS VIEW OF OBJECTIVES OF HIS SECOND MISSION TO SUDAN DIFFERS GREATLY FROM SUDANESE HOPES AND EXPECTATIONS. FOR ONE THING, IF I READ GENERAL JAGGERS' LETTER CORRECTLY, HE EXPECTS TO COME OUT ALONE AND CONFINE HIMSELF TO ONE DAY'S RATHER GENERAL PRESENTATION OF CONCLUSIONS OF SURVEY TEAM REPORT. IN VIEW OF SUDANESE HOPES, I THINK HE SHOULD BRING WITH
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HIM ADEQUATE STAFF SUPPORT TO GET INTO THE ENTIRE NITTY-GRITTY OF THE AIR DEFENSE PACKAGE. I DO NOT FEEL THAT MISSION CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED IN ONE DAY.

3. MOREOVER, IN HIS LETTER GENERAL JAGGERS TALKS OF BRINGING A CIVILIAN FRIEND WITH HIM AND SPENDING FOUR DAYS ON AN ELEPHANT HUNTING SAFARI IN THE SOUTH. I DO

NOT THINK THAT THIS WOULD CONTRIBUTE TO WHAT I WOULD HOPE
WOULD BE FAIRLY DETAILED AND BUSINESSLIKE DISCUSSIONS.

4. I WOULD, THEREFORE, BE GRATEFUL IF GENERAL JAGGERS
COULD BE CAREFULLY BRIEFED AS TO EXACTLY WHAT
SUDANESE EXPECT OF HIM SO THAT HE MAY BE FULLY
PREPARED TO CARRY OUT HIS SECOND MISSION TO THE SUDAN.
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